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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

RACE et al.

Application No. 09/667,328

Filed: September 21, 2000

For: SURFACE MODIFIED
PARTICULATE COMPOSITIONS OF
BIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE
SUBSTANCES

Art Unit: 1616

Examiner: S. S. Gollamudi

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed January 7, 2002, Applicants petition for a three month extension of time, extending the date for response to and including July 8, 2002, submit the requisite fee therefor, and request that the following remarks be considered and the referenced application be amended as shown below.

Copies of pages showing the requested changes are attached.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 23 with:

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Preferred non-aqueous media of the carrier system include hydrophobic components such as triglycerides, diglycerides, monoglycerides, free fatty acids, and fatty acid esters and derivatives thereof, individually or in combination. Examples of such hydrophobic components include but are not limited to propylene glycol dicaprylate/caprate, caprylic/capric triglyceride, caprylic/capric/linoleic triglyceride, e.g. synthetic medium chain triglycerides having C₈₋₁₂ fatty acid chains or other derivatized (synthetic) triglycerides of the type known and commercially available under Miglyol 810, 812, 818, 829 and 840, linoleic acid, linoleic acid ethyl ester, fish oils as free fatty acids, their esterification and their transesterification products, e.g. of the type known and commercially available under EPAX6000FA, EPAX4510TG, individually or in combination. Additional examples include vegetable oils and C₁₂₋₁₈ fatty acid mono-, di- and triglycerides prepared by individual admixing or as